

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM PRIORITY  
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INFO AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY

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TAGS: CARR, UG

SUBJECT: AMERICANS REPORTED DETAINED OR MISSING IN UGANDA

REF: A. NAIROBI 10408 (NOTAL); B. NAIROBI 10564 (NOTAL)

1. REFTELS, BEING REPEATED SEPTTEL TO KINSHASA, KIGALI,  
DAR ES SALAAM, KHARTOUM, CONCERN REPORTED DETENTION OR  
DISAPPEARANCE OF FOUR REPORTEDLY AMERICAN CITIZEN TOURISTS  
IN UGANDA OVER PAST TWO WEEKS.

2. AS REF A INDICATES, SANKY, SMITH AND BROWN APPARENTLY  
ARRIVED IN UGANDA BY AUTOMOBILE FROM A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY.  
WE HAVE NO INDICATION OF HOW LABAT (REF B) ARRIVED IN  
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TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION OF SMITH IN PPT FILES. OTHERS NOT  
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5. FOR BONN: PLEASE ADVISE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF ABOVE.

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